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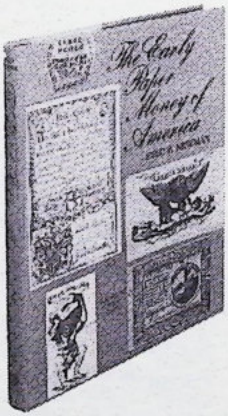

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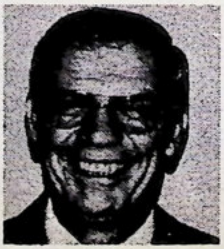

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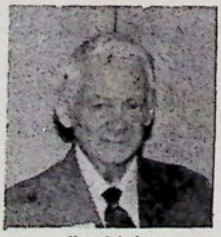

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Plan now to attend the 1990 convention of the North Carolina Numismatic Association to held Friday, 23 November through Sunday, 25 November at the Merchandise Mart in Charlotte.

This is the time to call on all NCNA members to submit nominations for officers and directors of the association and to nominate members for the several awards to be presented at the convention. There are the H. Fred Simpson Award for Numismatist of the Year and the Jimmy Jackson Award for the Junior Numismatist of the Year. Nominations are needed for President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and three directors. The three directors whose terms are expiring are: Ted Hendrick, Jim Little, and H. Fred Simpson. Send nominations to to N C N A, Box 20653, Greensboro, North Carolina 27420-0653.

D. Clark White
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BIRDS ON COINS
Part II
by Halbert Carmichael

Part I of this series dealt with birds shown on coins up to the time of World War II. Three pre-World War II issues were inadvertently left out of Part I. The 1915 Panama-Pacific $20 gold piece of the United States depicts a large and realistic great horned owl (Bubo virginianus) on the reverse. Every bird watcher would like one; the only problem is the $15,000 price tag.

In 1919 Australia produced a series of square one pence patterns with several, poorly done versions of the kookaburra, or laughing jackass. These patterns were made in anticipation of replacing the large bronze penny, a replacement that didn't occur for another forty-seven years. The patterns are rare; I have seen them exhibited but have not seen any offered for sale in twenty years. Australia has come to the bird coin collector's rescue with a silver $10 coin in 1989 that shows a better version of the kookaburra.

More readily obtainable and in many ways more interesting than the two coins above are the puffins of Lundy. The bronze coins are the size of the British penny and half penny and are denominated the puffin and half-puffin. The common puffin (Fratercula arctica) is not really all that common, but is a favorite of bird watchers for its comic antics and its colorful bill. The one puffin show a full view and the half-puffin show the .. top half of the bird. Martin Coles Harmon, the owner of Lundy, an island in the Bristol Channel, issued these for use on the island. He claimed the right of coinage as the sovereign owner of the island, but the British government took him to court and won a judgement against him. In the meantime he had made a charming contribution to the world's coinage. Restrikes were made in several metals in 1965.

Botswana
50 thebe
African fish eagle

Part II will deal with coins issued for circulation between 1940 and 1967. During World War II French Equitorial Africa issued 50 centime and 1 franc coins where the major element of the design was a crowing cock. The cock was presumably to emphasize that the colony was controlled by the Free French. Cameroon also used the same cock design for the same denominations in 1943. A similar cock showed up as a minor element in the design on the whole set of coins issued for metropolitan France between 1950 and 1955.

New Caledonia another French colony issued a set of coins (50 centime to 5 franc) in 1949 which showed the kagu , a grey, rail-like bird unique to the island. Although the design is cluttered, the larger coins are sufficiently large to show a very satisfactory picture.

New Caledonia
2 franc
kagu

The 1955-1957 two shilling of Rhodesia and Nyasaland shows an African fishing eagle . This large relative of our bald eagle is shown in flight holding a freshly caught fish. After independence Zambia used a different view of the same bird on its 2 ngwee of 1968. A close relative appears on the 50 thebe of Botswana in 1976-81. In 1964 Zambia had used the crowned hornbill as the major device of its 1964 shilling. After decimalization, the crowned hornbill was still used on the 10 ngwee, the coin equivalent to the shilling.

Some time in the 1970's Mrs. Elvira Clain-Steffanelli prepared a charming exhibit of "Birds on Coins" for display in the Numismatic Hall of the Smithsonian's Museum of American history. The display includes about twenty-five examples of bird coins, each with a cutout color print of the bird. The display includes an Athenian tetradrachm and a number of Roman and Greek era coins with eagles, swans, and owls. There is also a 17th century silver coin from the city of Musso in Italy which shows what is clearly a duck, one of the few duck coins known. The display was still in place as of February 1990.

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Norway struck a set of coins between 1958 and 1973 for her new king, Olav V. In the tradition that Ireland had begun, all the reverses were different native and domestic animals. The bronze 2 ore shows a grouse-like bird that is mis-identified in the Smithsonican exhibit as a caparcaillie. The bird is identifiable as a blackcock (Lyrurus tetrix) by is distinctive tail. The caparcaillie has subsequently appeared on a Polish coin In the Norwegian set, the 25 ore, a small silver coin, shows a Siberian tit, a small relative of our titmouse and chickadee.

Norway
2 & 25 ore
blackcock and
siberian tit

South Africa decimalized its coinage in 1965, and the new cent had a more realistic version of the two sparrows which had previously been on the farthing. Whether or not these are weaver birds native to southern African I have never been able to determine. The new nickel five cent coin showed an elegant rendition of the paradise or Stanley crane on the reverse. There are only about twenty species of crane in the world, and a significant number of them have been depicted on coins by 1990.

Among the large number of newly independent countries in the 1960's several had at least one coin with a bird. Malawi's 1964 sixpence showed a rooster, once again an animal with political significance. Gambia's 1966 nickel brass three pence shows a double spurred francolin, a ground bird related to the grouse and quails. Singapore's 1967 two cent shows a long necked bird on its nest. Schon lists this as an egret, but I have seen the photograph of an Asian darter by the famous Singapore nature photographer, Lok Wan Tho, from which this design was undoubtedly taken. Nepals's 1967 two piasa shows a monal pheasant. This spectacular bird is not done justice on this small coin.

In the next part we will see the feathers really begin to fly on several whole series of coins and NCLT's.

THE EARLY PAPER MONEY OF AMERICA

3rd edition by Eric Newman
published by Krause Publications
8 1/2x11 hardcover

a review by Jim Sazama

This review was indeed a labor of love. This revised, third edition has been so written as to allow even the novice collector of early paper money the ease of cataloging, and in some cases, valuing his material.

The introduction is extremely well done, and on completing it I think one has a pretty fundamental grasp of the subject. The contents are well laid out and where ever possible good clear photos of note types are used plus the central color plates. Sections on counterfeiting and cross references of mottos add to the ease of use.

This book is presented as a research tool but goes far beyond that. Those that are familiar with Eric Newman can appreciate the time and effort that he has put into this revised work to make it a readable reference work.

The detailed sections include ones on individual British, French, and Spanish colonies that are now part of the United States, the United Colonies, and the United States (1775-177); individual American states (1776-1788); incorporated and unincorporated banks (1686-1800); and individuals, businesses, organizations, cities and counties (1729-1800). With the addition of the early scrip in this new edition I find that the work is lacking in no way and would be a good $50 investment. For students of early American banking history I cannot recommend this work too highly.

COIN CLUB DIRECTORY

Listed below are all local coin clubs in the state of North Carolina. The information is that available to us as of 15 March 1990. If you have later information please send it to the editor, and we will try to run it in a later issue.

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BEAUFORT COUNTY COIN CLUB, 720 E Main St., Washington NC 27889, meets 8 PM on last Friday, Registers Coin shop, Washington NC
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CAPE FEAR COIN CLUB, Box 40632, Fayetteville NC 28309, meets 8PM on 2nd Tues, First Citizen's Bank, Green St., Fayetteville NC
1990 Officers not available

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Pres.	Tom Marshall	Vice Pres	J. Will Jordan , J. Dale Hege
Treas.	Donald Sharpe	Secretary	Therese St. Germain

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President	Charles Kimber	Vice Pres	John Wills
Treasurer	Rita Kimber	Secretary	Harold Grace

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President N. Paulette Shelton Vice Pres Dr. E. E. Moore
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President Joe Smolski Vice Pres Art Ericson
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President James Barber Vice Pres Don Warren
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LOWER CAPE FEAR COIN CLUB, Box 4232, Wilmington NC, 28406, meets 7:30 PM on 2nd Wednesnay, Southern Bell, Shipyard Blvd.
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COIN SHOW CALENDAR

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31-Apr 1 Tidewater Coin Club, Virginia Beach Pavillion, Virginia Beach VA, Malcolm Gutterman, Box 1145, Norfolk VA, 23501

APRIL 1990

6-8 Lower Cape Fear Coin Club, Elk's Lodge, Oleander Dr., Wilmington NC, David Porter, Box 4332, Wilmington NC 28406

7-8 Piedmont Triad Coin & Stamp Show, American Legion Hall, Randleman Road, Greensboro, Barry Cohen, Box 10678, Greensboro NC 27404

21-22 Carolina Stamp Expo, Wynham Garden Hotel, Charlotte NC, Richard Canupp, Box 240155, Charolotte NC 28224

21-22 Salem Coin Club, American Legion Bldg, Salem VA, Emmett Yonce, 2040 Roanoke Rd, Daleville VA 24083

MAY 1990

5-6 Winston-Salem Coin Club, Sprague Recreation Center, Winston-Salem NC, Lonnie Stewart, 1940 Dacian St., Winston-Salem NC 27107

12-13 Salisbury-Rowan County Coin Club, Civic Center, Salisbury NC, M. D. McCullough, Box 87, Cleveland NC 27013

19-20 Raleigh Coin Club, Quality Inn, Mission Valley, Raleigh NC, Halbert Carmichael, Box 5625, Raleigh, NC 27650

25-27 Georgia Numismatic Association Convention, Waverly Hotel, Atlanta GA, John Hancock, 311 Green St., Gainesville GA 30501

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2-3 Carolina Stamp Expo, Wynham Garden Hotel, Charlotte NC, Richard Canupp

8-10 Carolina Coin & Stamp Conventions, Charlotte NC, Ted Hendrick, Box 12052, Raleigh NC 27605

15-17 International Paper Money Show, Cook Conv Center, Memphis TN, Mike Crabb, Box 17871, Memphis TN 38187

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7-8 Piedmont Triad Coin & Stamp Show, American Legion Hall, Randleman Road, Greensboro, Barry Cohen

13-15 Metropolitan Washington Coin Club, New Carrolton MD

AUGUST 1990

11-12 Carolina Stamp Expo, Wynham Garden Hotel, Charlotte NC, Richard Canupp

22-26 American Numismatic Association Convention, Seattle WA

31-2 Sep Peach State Coin Show, Waverly Hotel, Atlanta GA, Mike Griffith, Box 76482, Atlanta GA 30358

SEPTEMBER 1990

6-9 Virginia Numismatic Associaiton, Convention Center, Richmond VA

8-9 Cumberland County Coin Club, Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, Fayetteville NC, Charles Kimber, 3705 Florida Dr.,Fayetteville NC 27664

14-16 Carolina Coin & Stamp Conventions, Charlotte NC, Ted Hendrick

28-30 Blue Ridge Numismatic Association, Chattanooga TN, Ruth Armstrong

OCTOBER 1990

13-14 Carolina Stamp Expo, Wynham Garden Hotel, Charlotte NC, Richard Canupp

19-21 Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association Convention

26-28 South Carolina Numismatic Association, Hyatt Regency, Greenville SC, Don McAllister, 2207 W. Parker Rd, Greenville SC 29611

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3-4 Carolina Coin & Stamp Conventions, Quality Inn, Mission Valley, Raleigh NC, Ted Hendrick

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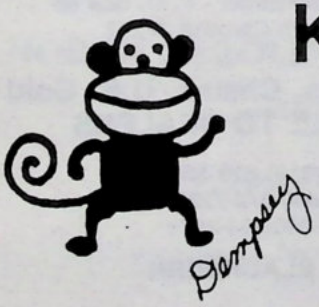

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